

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Tom Mossey upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to outstanding athletes who have distinguished themselves through their exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Tom Mossey upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame, to be celebrated at its 18th Annual Hall of Fame and Reunion Dinner on Monday, September 21, 2015, at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady, New York; and

WHEREAS, Tom Mossey is a 1956 graduate of Nott Terrace High School where he distinguished himself by his many notable achievements in basketball; and

WHEREAS, Elevated to the varsity team as a sophomore, Tom Mossey set a Nott Terrace single game scoring record with 38 points, and helped lead his team to three consecutive Class A League, Sectional, and Intersectional titles; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable athlete was named to the GAZETTE All-County All-Star Team, and was selected by DELL MAGAZINE as one of the Top 22 high school basketball players in New York State; furthermore, he was named Schenectady Co-Player of the Year during the 1955-1956 season; and

WHEREAS, After receiving scholarship offers from numerous colleges, Tom Mossey chose to attend Syracuse University; while there, he was a starter on the varsity basketball team for three years, averaging 14.8 points per game as a senior; he was ranked 13th on the Syracuse career points list at the close of his college career; and

WHEREAS, Following graduation, Tom Mossey taught Physical Education in the Schenectady City School District, and proudly served his country by enlisting in the United States Marine Corps in 1962; he participated in combat operations in Vietnam, and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" Device for Valor; and

WHEREAS, Tom Mossey retired from active duty in the Marine Corps after 20 years of distinguished service; he later served as a military instructor in the Marine Corps Junior ROTC program for 23 years; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Tom Mossey; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Tom Mossey for his extraordinary athletic accomplishments which are a tribute to his skill, dedication and commitment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations with praise and pride to honor Tom Mossey upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tom Mossey, and the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame.